

Electrophysiology

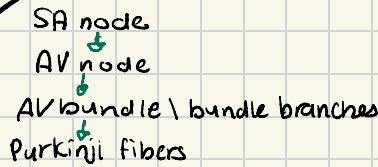
(Cardiac muscle? intrinsically activate itself)

Automaticity (spontaneously depolarize & trigger action potential to spread & contract)
(intrinsically)

Myocardium → 2 parts: 1. Nodal cells

2. Contractile cells (actin & myosin)
- Sarcoplasmic reticulum etc ✓

Set a rhythm



In case of SA dysfunction? → 2ndary is AV? 3rd is Purkinji

SA Node: Sinus rhythm = 60-80 bpm
On its own no sympathetic/parasympathetic effect

Generally send action potential → send to all muscle by conduction pathway → contract

How does it happen? →

What is it? ← answers are coming ↓

So? How is the contraction of cardiac muscle happen?

Stimulus → SA node {conduct it} → AV node & bundle → Contraction

What is the stimulus & how does it respond

How the conductive system occur?

How

- 1. Automaticity + rhythmicity
- 2. Excitability

3. Conductivity

4. Contractility } Cardiac properties

1. Automaticity define

- Properties of self-excitation?
- Spontaneous action potential generation
- Rhythmicity regulate AP generation

Modified non contractive cells:

Pacemakers: highest rhythmicity part.

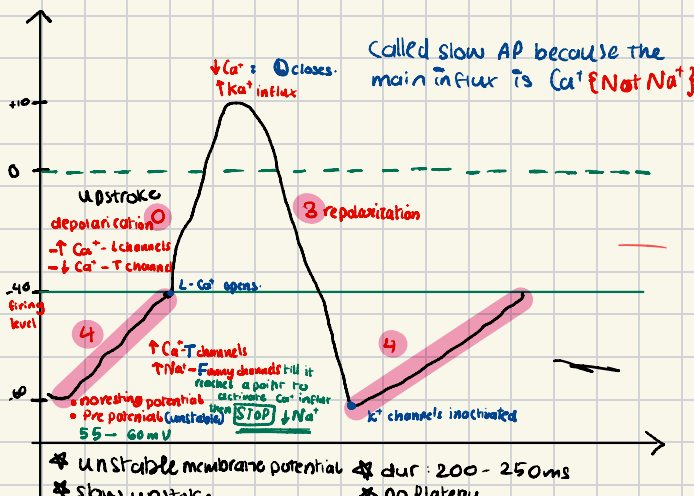
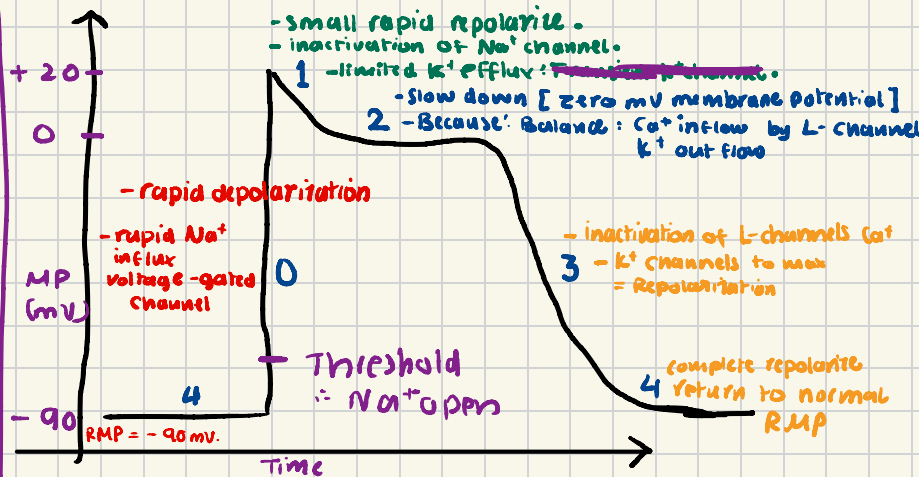
SA node	AV node	Purkinji
- Sinus rhythm - Highest [90-110 per min]	- nodal rhythm [45-60 per min]	idio ventricular rhythm [25-40 per min]

2. Excitability

- : Ability to respond to stimulation
- Cardiac response is by generating Excitatory-Conductive system \ fast AP response

→ fast response action potential

- Triphasic repolarization



Excitability & contraction relation.

- Mechanical response: after 20 ms of depolarization
- Systole (max) at plateau end
- half diastole → phase (3)
- half of diastole → phase (4)

★ Absolute refractory period.

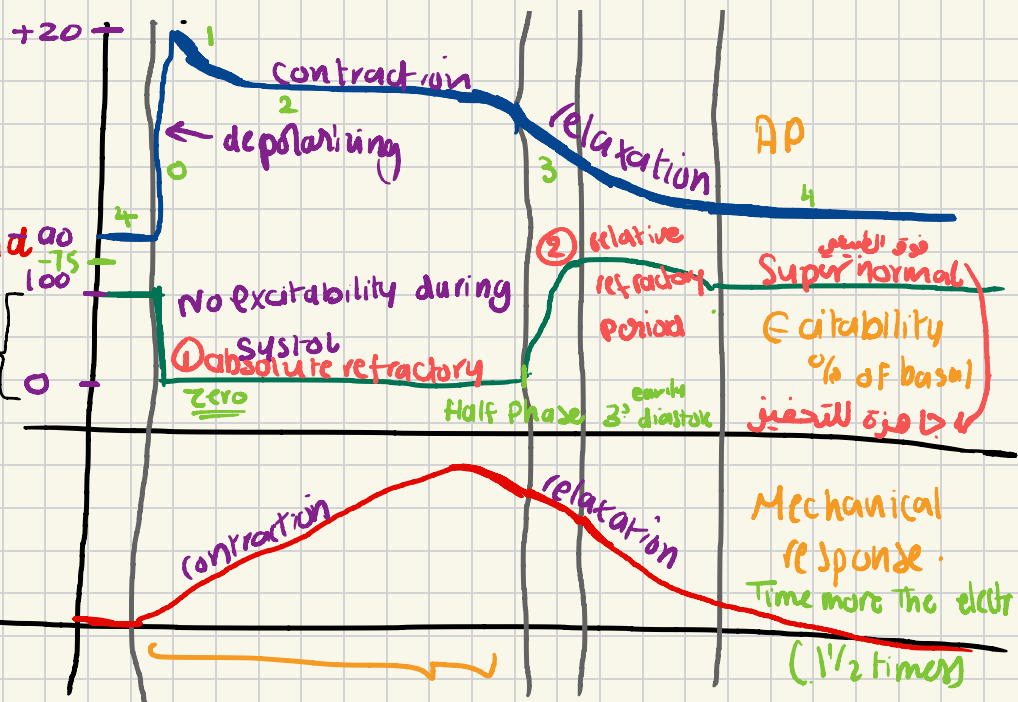
- Start of phase 0 → phase 3 'middle'
- Excitability = Zero
- Prevent heart being tetanized.
- Prevent fatigue

★ Relative Refractory period

- excitability gradually restored
- middle of phase 3 → repolarize -75mv

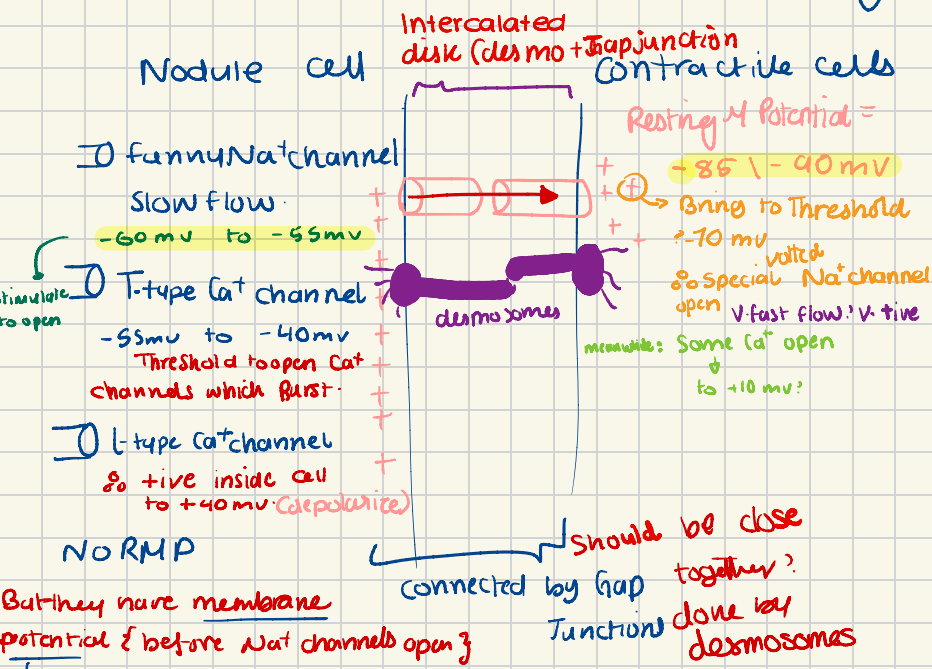
★ Super normal phase: → في خوف؟ record.

- Excitability higher than normal
- during late phase 3



↳ Ninja Nerd

How action potential happening?



Q: rhythmicity in SA node is 100/min
resting heart rate is 75 beat/min
why?

- due to continuous inhibitory discharge from vagus nerve. ∴ decrease 100 - 75
Called Vagal Tone. لانوال Symp يعطي أكثر من 100
الو فعل الحاله في قلبنا نغض Vagus على تايون ينعقد لقلبنا.

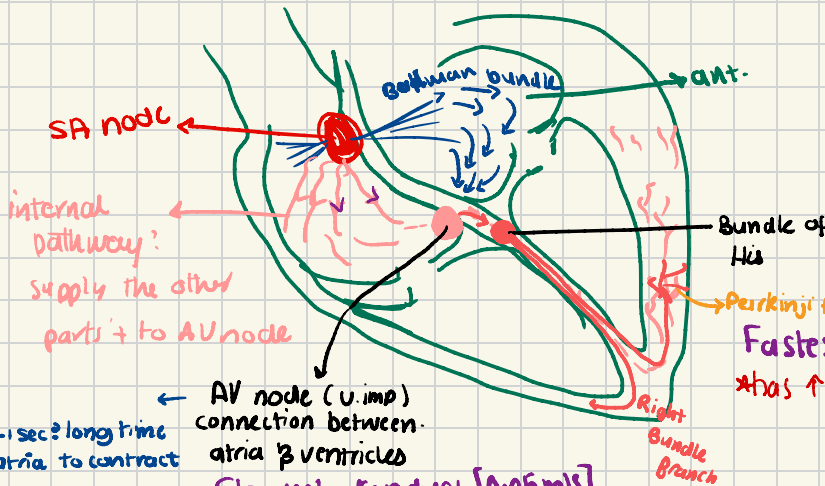
Vagus supply the whole cardiac muscle except **Ventricles**

↳ {Vagal escape phenomenon}
protect from abnormal high vagal stimulation → cause Cardiac Arrest

Conductivity

Cardiac muscle transmit waves through high specialized systems

Cardiac Conducting System { 3 parts } Nodes - internodal - His - Purkinje



- SA \ AV
- 3 bundles:
- 1) ant.
 - 2) middle
 - 3) Post.
- connect (SA to AV)
- 1 - AV bundle
- 2 - RL bundle branches
- 3 - Purkinje fibers

SA → AV: only 1 way conduction (→)

Purkinje fibers: convey excitation to ventricle's muscle.

Fastest conduction (4 m/s) { So both ventricles contract together }

* has ↑ gap junctions

* nature: very large fibers (diameter)

Receive

2) Take 0.1 sec? long time gives time atria to contract so push the blood

- few gap junction

- smaller diameter

AV node (v. imp) connection between atria & ventricles

- Slowest conduct [0.05 m/s]

- also named 'electric isolator'

Significance:

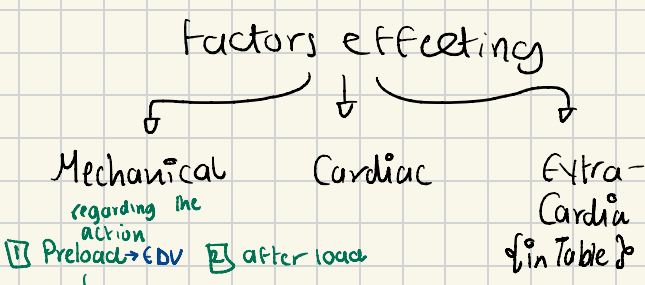
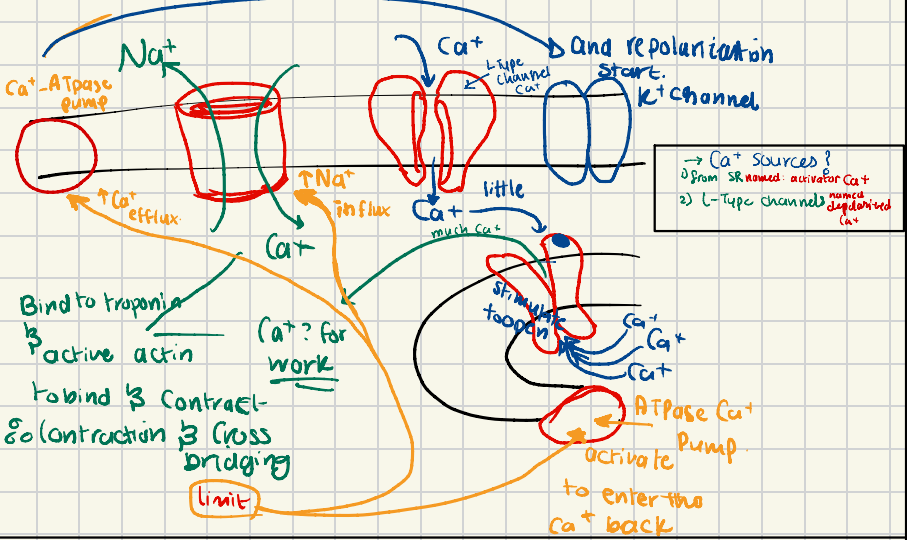
- 1) protect ventricles from pathological atrial rhythm
- 2) [Prevent ventricle fibrillation] → 230 impulse/min

Contractility

: ability to contract responding to stimulus

Change chemical energy → Mechanical work

Excitability \ contraction coupling



↑ EDV ⇒ Initial length fiber

↑ tension & stretch

↑ contraction

↑ velocity of shortening

Cardiac force

till a limit

- length-tension relation

- proportional relation

- it's the stroke volume relation

Preload → describe stroke & EDV relation

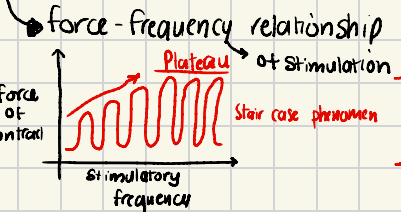
initial length → diastolic filling

over strength: marked decrease in EDV

Significance: Heteromyot. autoregulation

Cardiac 'affect the cardiac performance'

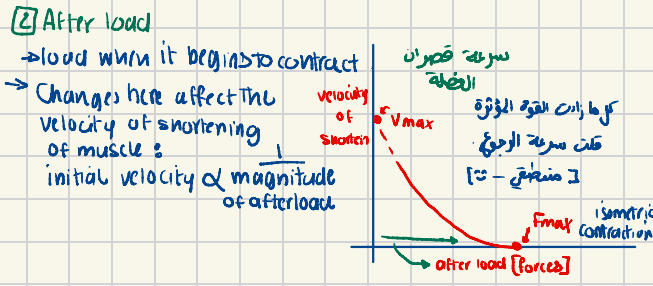
- (1) Myo Cardiac mass (Normal) = max contraction force
 - (2) Heart rate
 - (3) Cardiac inotropic: state of cardiac loading
- Major determinants:
- 1) Ca⁺ quantity
 - 2) Myo Cardiac mass
 - 3) Extra Cardiac factors.



↑ Ca⁺ influx till a level: No more Ca⁺

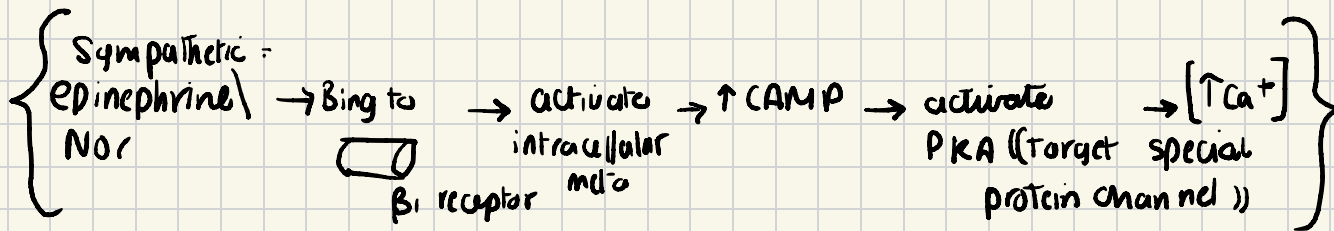
Tachycardia: +ve inotropic

Bradycardia: -ve inotropic



Extrinsic factors affecting

Factor	Rythmicity Chronotropism		Excitability Bathmotropism		Conducting dromotropic		Contracting inotropic	
	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-
Nervous parasymp symp	-	- (How?) [*]	-	-	-	-	-	-
Chemical	Catecholamine Thyroxine Blood gases: mild-moderate hypoxia hypercapnia	Ach blood gases: Severe O ₂ ↓ H ⁺ /CO ₂ ↑	Catecholamine Thyroxine	Hypoxia ischemia [Calcium: Hyper- Cardiac arrest]	Catecholamine + Thyroxine Alkalosis	most electrolyte disturbances (K ⁺) acidosis	Catecholamine - Thyroxine - Glucagon - moderate O ₂ ↓ CO ₂ ↑ - Hypercalcemia	- Excess Na ⁺ - Hyperkalemia - Extreme O ₂ ↓ CO ₂ ↑ - Acetylcholine ↳ vagus
Drugs if	Symp mimetics	Digitalis (↑HR) Cholinergic	Xanthines	Cholinergic	Symp-mimetics	Cholinergic + Digitalis	Digitalis Xanthines Caffeine (theoph)	- Calcium channel blockers inhibit L-channels
Physical: ↑ Body Temp ↓ Body Temp	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-



Digitalis
 → inhibit Na⁺K⁺ pump
 → ↑ Na⁺ inside
 → stimulate Na⁺/Ca⁺ exchange
 → ↑ Ca⁺ intracellular